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RE: Comments and Recommendations of the Minnesota Department of Commerce Energy Facility
Permitting Staff
Docket No. PT 6528/WS-06-91

Dear Dr. Haar:

Attached are the comments and recommendations of the Minnesota Department of Commerce Energy Facility Permitting Staff in the following matter:

In the Matter of a Site Permit Application for the 101.2-Megawatt High Prairie Wind Farm Wind Farm submitted by High Prairie Wind Farm I, LLC for a Large Wind Energy Conversion System and Associated Facilities in Mower County, Minnesota. The Site Permit Application was filed on February 10, 2006.

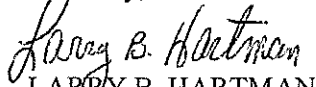
The Department is providing you with DOC EFP staff:

- A. Comments and Recommendations
- B. Draft Site Permit for Commission Approval

The Department EFP staff recommends acceptance of the application, appointment of a public advisor, a preliminary determination to issue a draft site permit and approval of the enclosed Draft Site Permit for public review and comment.

Staff is available to answer any questions the Commission may have.

Sincerely,


LARRY B. HARTMAN
DOC EFP Staff

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Enclosures